

**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF LIVESTOCK
ANIMAL HEALTH DIVISION
OFFICIAL ORDER NO. 04-01-I (AMENDED)**

DATE: March 2, 2004
DATE EFFECTIVE: March 2, 2004
DATE OF BOARD APPROVAL: March 2, 2004
SUBJECT: Brucellosis Testing of Animals imported into Montana
STATUTORY AUTHORIZATION: 81-2-102(1)(d), 81-2-302, and 81-2-303, Montana Code Annotated

ORDERED BY: Thomas F.T. Linfield, D.V.M., State Veterinarian

REVIEWED BY: Marc Bridges, Executive Officer, Department of Livestock

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT FROM THE EFFECTIVE DATE SET FORTH HEREIN, UNTIL AMENDED BY STATUTE, RULE, OR OFFICIAL ORDER, THE FOLLOWING CLASSES OF CATTLE AND BISON ORIGINATING FROM BRUCELLOSIS CLASS A STATES (WYOMING AND TEXAS) MUST BE OFFICIALLY TESTED NEGATIVE FOR BRUCELLOSIS WITHIN 30 DAYS PRIOR TO IMPORTATION INTO MONTANA:

FEMALE CATTLE (MUST BE OFFICIAL CALFHOOD VACCINATES TO REMAIN IN MONTANA):

- I. Beef Breeds: All sexually intact females 24 months of age and older; and
- II. Dairy Breeds: All sexually intact females 20 months of age and older; and
- III. All Breeds: All parturient females (in last trimester of pregnancy) and all postparturient females (having already calved at least one time).

FEMALE BISON:

- I. All sexually intact females 12 months of age and older if not official calfhood vaccinates; and
- II. All official calfhood vaccinates 24 months of age and older; and
- III. All official calfhood vaccinates which are parturient (in last trimester of pregnancy) or postparturient (having already calved one time).

MALE CATTLE AND BISON:

- I. All sexually intact male bison and cattle 12 months of age and older.

EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE TESTING REQUIREMENTS:

- I. Test eligible cattle or bison shipped directly from Brucellosis Class A State farm or ranch of origin to an approved Montana livestock auction market may be tested upon arrival at the approved livestock auction market. These cattle or bison to remain at the approved livestock auction market until confirmation received of official negative brucellosis test results.
- II. Test eligible cattle or bison consigned directly to an official slaughtering establishment for immediate slaughter.
- III. Steers or spayed heifers.
- IV. Test eligible cattle or bison originating from a certified brucellosis-free herd. The herd certification number and date of entire herd test must be included on the Certificate of Veterinary Inspection.

ADDITIONAL:

- I. ALL BRUCELLOSIS-TESTED ANIMALS IMPORTED FROM BRUCELLOSIS CLASS A STATES WHICH REMAIN IN MONTANA MAY BE QUARANTINED AND SUBJECT TO AN ADDITIONAL OFFICIAL NEGATIVE BRUCELLOSIS TEST, AT THE OWNER'S EXPENSE, CONDUCTED 45-120 DAYS FOLLOWING THE INITIAL NEGATIVE TEST.

- II. ALL BRUCELLOSIS TESTED ANIMALS MUST BE INDIVIDUALLY IDENTIFIED (OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION) AND LISTED ON THE CERTIFICATE OF VETERINARY INSPECTION TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR IMPORTATION INTO MONTANA.
- III. THE MONTANA STATE VETERINARIAN MUST APPROVE ANY EXCEPTIONS TO THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS.